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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidation Benefit) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made 12th December 1988

Coming into operation 1st January 1989

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 5(2) of the Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidation Benefit) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1989.

(2) In these regulations “the principal regulations” means the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidation Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(b).

Amendment of regulations 25 and 27 of the principal regulations

2. In regulations 25(1) and 27 of the principal regulations (disregard of pension payments on account of redundancy and calculation of weekly amounts of certain pension payments) for “the age of 60” there shall be substituted in each of those regulations “the age of 55”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 12th December 1988.

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(a) S.I. 1980/1087 (N.I. 13)

(b) S.R. 1984 No. 245; to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the provisions, contained in the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984, for the disregard of certain pension payments and for the calculation of the weekly amount of pension payments made other than weekly.

The amendments are consequential upon the changes made by Article 8 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1988 (S.I. 1988/594 (N.I. 2)) which reduces from 60 to 55 the age at which unemployment benefit falls to be abated on account of payments by way of occupational pension.

The regulations correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Security in relation to Great Britain and accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980 (c. 30), are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee.